

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF OHIO
EASTERN DIVISION

David A. Joseph, Sr., et al.,

Plaintiff,

v.

Case No. 2:15-cv-85

Christie Hampton, et al.,

Judge Michael H. Watson

Defendants.

OPINION AND ORDER

Magistrate Judge King issued a report and recommendation (“R&R”) in this *pro se* prisoner civil rights case in which Plaintiff David A. Joseph, Sr. purports to represent a class of plaintiffs. R&R, ECF No. 4. The R&R concluded that Plaintiff David A. Joseph, Sr. cannot represent the other named plaintiffs in this case because parties may not be represented by a non-lawyer in federal judicial proceedings. *Id.* at 2. The R&R thus recommended dismissing the claims of the other plaintiffs unless, within thirty days, each of those plaintiffs either pays the filing fee or seeks leave to proceed *in forma pauperis* and demonstrates his or her intention to proceed either personally or through counsel. *Id.*

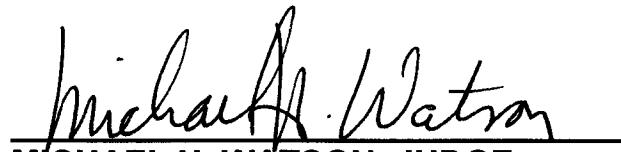
The R&R notified the parties of their right to object within fourteen days of the issuance of the R&R and specifically advised the parties that a failure to object would result in a waiver of the right to *de novo* review of the R&R by the

undersigned as well as a waiver of the right to appeal the judgment of the Court.

Id. at 3. The time for objecting has passed, and no objections were filed.

Accordingly, the Court **ADOPTS** the R&R.

IT IS SO ORDERED.



MICHAEL H. WATSON, JUDGE
UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT